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The Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OSCAR) provides a weekly snapshot of the availability of marine shipping containers at 18 different intermodal locations for the westbound transpacific trade lanes. The data shows the availability for five types of equipment, including 20 and 40ft dry, 20 and 40ft refrigerated, and 40ft high-cube containers, and provides estimates of equipment availability for the current week and projections two weeks out. The data are voluntarily provided to AMS by five ocean container carriers.

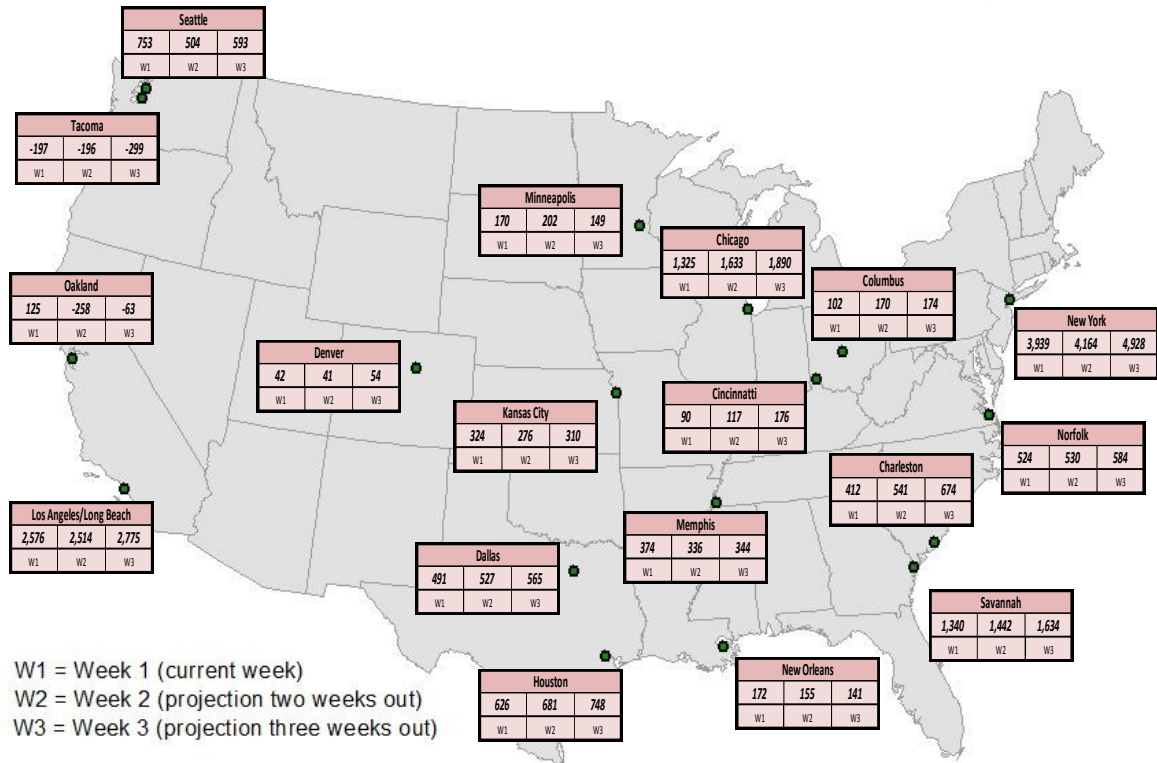
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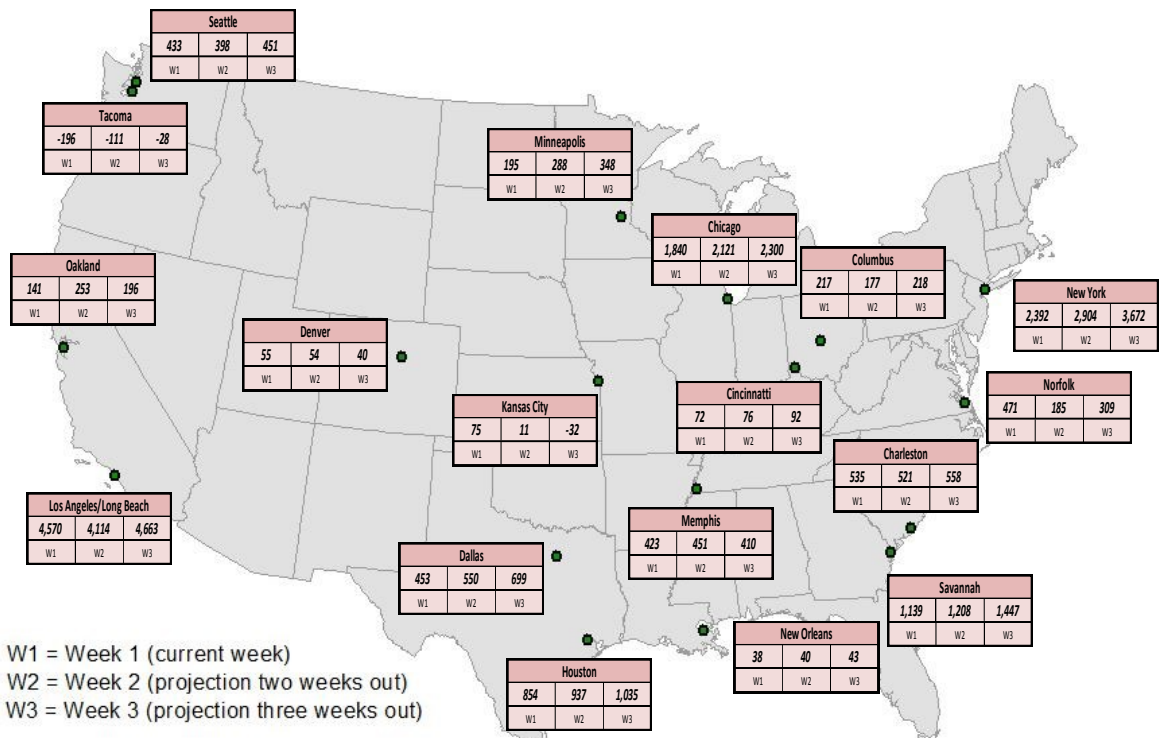
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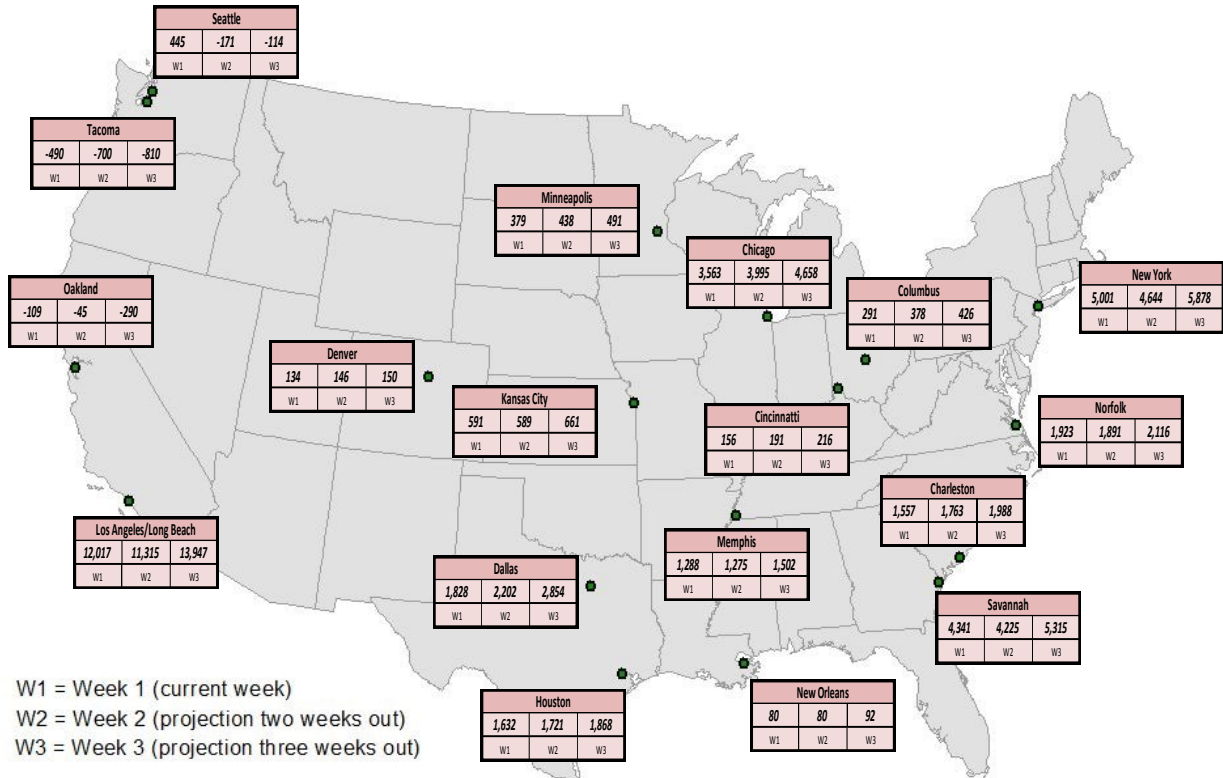


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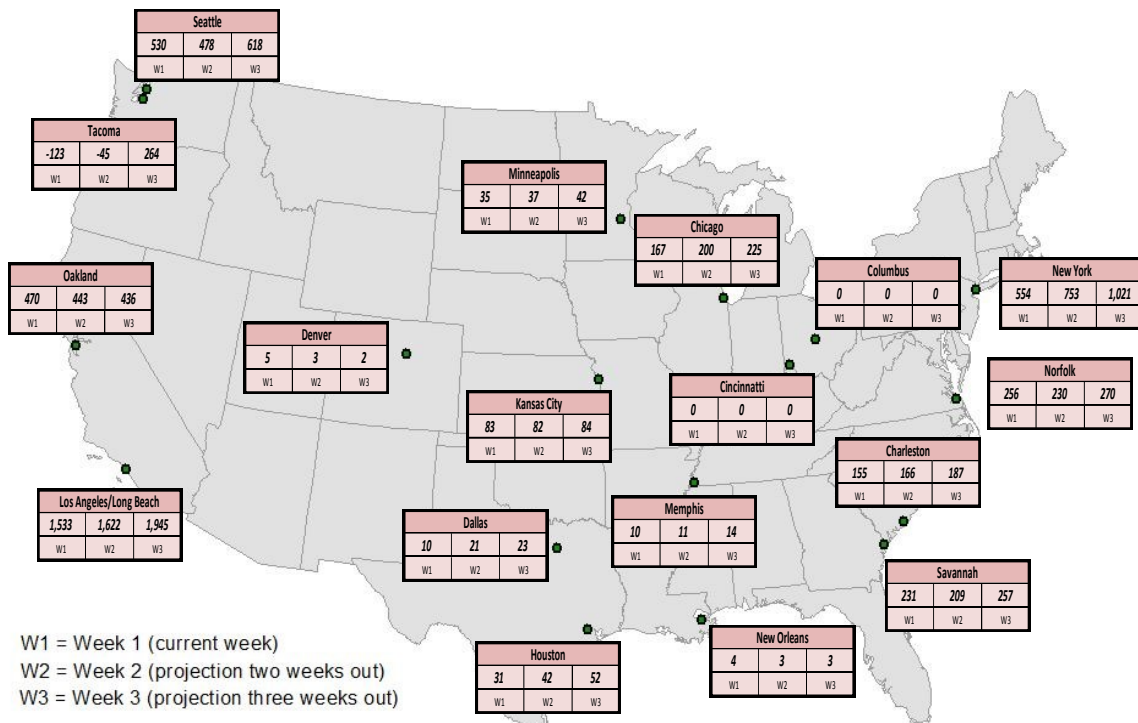




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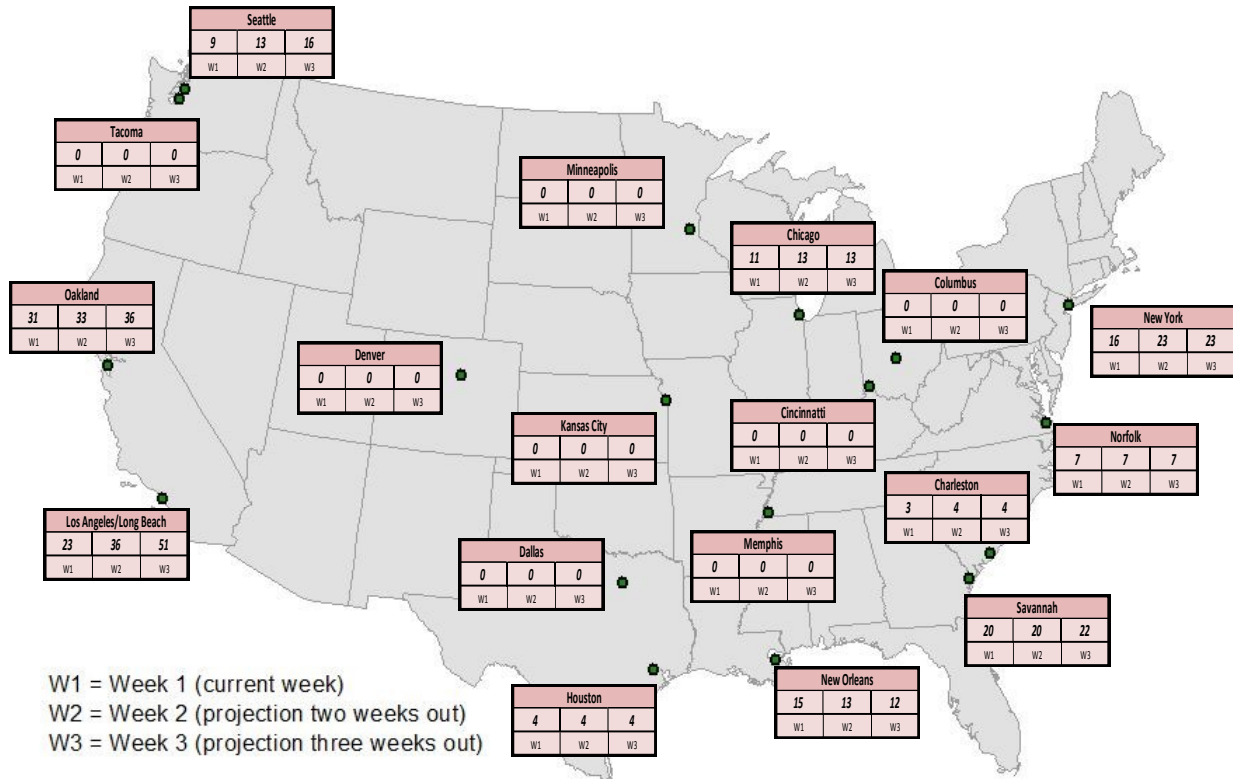


Weekly Availability for 40ft Refrigerated Containers





Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers





Charleston						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	231	127	89	10	-45	412
Week 2: Apr 19-25	231	187	123	10	-10	541
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	231	230	142	10	61	674
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	372	257	239	60	-76	852
Week 2: Apr 19-25	372	192	289	60	-76	837
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	372	242	318	60	-26	966
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	916	450	270	60	-139	1,557
Week 2: Apr 19-25	916	629	244	60	-86	1,763
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	916	779	280	60	-47	1,988
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	90	59	15	4	-13	155
Week 2: Apr 19-25	109	41	15	4	-3	166
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	116	41	17	4	9	187
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	2	1	.	.	.	3
Week 2: Apr 19-25	2	2	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	2	2	.	.	.	4

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Chicago						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	723	241	228	98	35	1,325
Week 2: Apr 19-25	994	241	213	105	80	1,633
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	1,232	241	282	55	80	1,890
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	860	816	72	62	30	1,840
Week 2: Apr 19-25	860	1,204	-28	45	40	2,121
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	860	1,538	-141	3	40	2,300
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	1,586	1,508	220	209	40	3,563
Week 2: Apr 19-25	1,586	1,996	87	286	40	3,995
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	1,586	2,623	109	300	40	4,658
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	152	15	0	.	.	167
Week 2: Apr 19-25	185	15	0	.	.	200
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	210	15	0	.	.	225
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	11	.	.	.	.	11
Week 2: Apr 19-25	13	.	.	.	.	13
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	13	.	.	.	.	13

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Cincinnati						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	39	33	13	5	0	90
Week 2: Apr 19-25	48	35	13	20	1	117
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	76	66	13	20	1	176
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	59	20	0	-1	-6	72
Week 2: Apr 19-25	75	20	0	-2	-17	76
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	101	20	0	1	-30	92
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	117	38	4	0	-3	156
Week 2: Apr 19-25	148	38	3	0	2	191
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	188	38	-19	5	4	216
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Apr 19-25	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	0	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Apr 19-25	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Columbus						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	53	45	24	5	-25	102
Week 2: Apr 19-25	60	45	32	34	-1	170
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	66	45	43	28	-8	174
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	126	65	24	4	-2	217
Week 2: Apr 19-25	144	30	24	-23	2	177
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	196	30	24	-48	16	218
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	209	54	30	-1	-1	291
Week 2: Apr 19-25	279	54	30	9	6	378
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	371	54	30	-21	-8	426
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Apr 19-25	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	0	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Apr 19-25	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Dallas						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	161	130	107	63	30	491
Week 2: Apr 19-25	216	160	78	63	10	527
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	280	126	86	63	10	565
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	274	140	113	0	-74	453
Week 2: Apr 19-25	411	140	85	0	-86	550
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	602	140	72	0	-115	699
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	778	504	362	184	0	1,828
Week 2: Apr 19-25	1,061	504	404	233	0	2,202
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	1,604	504	534	212	0	2,854
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	10	0	.	.	.	10
Week 2: Apr 19-25	21	0	.	.	.	21
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	23	0	.	.	.	23
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Apr 19-25	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Denver						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	20	11	6	5	0	42
Week 2: Apr 19-25	0	11	12	19	-1	41
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	5	11	14	29	-5	54
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	38	14	3	0	0	55
Week 2: Apr 19-25	38	9	8	-1	0	54
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	38	-5	9	-2	0	40
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	84	28	27	0	-5	134
Week 2: Apr 19-25	79	28	40	0	-1	146
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	67	28	50	0	5	150
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	5	0	.	.	.	5
Week 2: Apr 19-25	3	0	.	.	.	3
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	2	0	.	.	.	2
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	0
Week 2: Apr 19-25	0
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	0

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Houston						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	425	165	39	5	-8	626
Week 2: Apr 19-25	425	222	8	2	24	681
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	425	336	21	0	-34	748
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	587	200	38	19	10	854
Week 2: Apr 19-25	705	200	23	9	0	937
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	832	200	27	-29	5	1,035
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	922	623	85	2	0	1,632
Week 2: Apr 19-25	922	733	58	8	0	1,721
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	922	850	76	20	0	1,868
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	29	2	0	.	.	31
Week 2: Apr 19-25	40	2	0	.	.	42
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	50	2	0	.	.	52
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	4	0	.	.	.	4
Week 2: Apr 19-25	4	0	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	4	0	.	.	.	4

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Kansas City						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	208	70	26	20	0	324
Week 2: Apr 19-25	172	70	30	4	0	276
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	204	70	29	7	0	310
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	90	25	-1	-2	-37	75
Week 2: Apr 19-25	90	10	0	-18	-71	11
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	90	10	0	-21	-111	-32
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	298	246	30	16	1	591
Week 2: Apr 19-25	298	267	10	17	-3	589
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	298	324	10	28	1	661
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	65	18	0	.	.	83
Week 2: Apr 19-25	65	17	0	.	.	82
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	65	19	0	.	.	84
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Apr 19-25	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Los Angeles and Long Beach						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	879	826	534	307	30	2,576
Week 2: Apr 19-25	902	826	532	224	30	2,514
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	560	826	978	381	30	2,775
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	2,236	990	780	504	60	4,570
Week 2: Apr 19-25	2,236	1,041	523	254	60	4,114
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	2,236	1,493	672	202	60	4,663
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	6,836	2,275	1,967	739	200	12,017
Week 2: Apr 19-25	6,836	2,149	1,170	960	200	11,315
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	6,836	2,089	2,727	2,095	200	13,947
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	521	484	255	198	75	1,533
Week 2: Apr 19-25	472	611	244	220	75	1,622
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	534	865	186	285	75	1,945
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	13	10	.	.	.	23
Week 2: Apr 19-25	26	10	.	.	.	36
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	41	10	.	.	.	51

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Memphis						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	252	80	39	3	0	374
Week 2: Apr 19-25	252	76	5	-7	10	336
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	252	82	-20	10	20	344
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	202	162	53	6	0	423
Week 2: Apr 19-25	225	162	80	-16	0	451
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	208	162	80	-40	0	410
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	668	434	106	50	30	1,288
Week 2: Apr 19-25	668	515	75	-18	35	1,275
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	668	582	135	67	50	1,502
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	10	0	.	.	.	10
Week 2: Apr 19-25	11	0	.	.	.	11
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	14	0	.	.	.	14
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	0
Week 2: Apr 19-25	0
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	0

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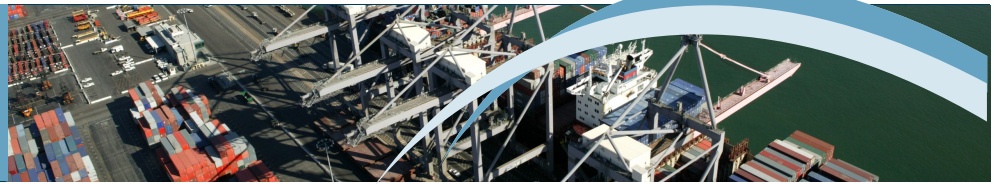
Minneapolis						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	74	66	42	0	-12	170
Week 2: Apr 19-25	109	66	53	0	-26	202
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	58	66	78	0	-53	149
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	212	48	45	15	-125	195
Week 2: Apr 19-25	212	72	54	10	-60	288
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	212	95	72	5	-36	348
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	202	114	54	9	0	379
Week 2: Apr 19-25	202	184	56	-14	10	438
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	202	220	82	-23	10	491
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	35	0	.	.	.	35
Week 2: Apr 19-25	37	0	.	.	.	37
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	42	0	.	.	.	42
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Apr 19-25	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



New Orleans						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	88	81	3	0	0	172
Week 2: Apr 19-25	88	64	3	0	0	155
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	88	50	3	0	0	141
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	18	15	5	0	0	38
Week 2: Apr 19-25	18	10	6	0	6	40
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	18	15	7	-3	6	43
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	48	24	10	0	-2	80
Week 2: Apr 19-25	48	20	11	0	1	80
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	48	31	13	0	0	92
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	4	0	.	.	.	4
Week 2: Apr 19-25	3	0	.	.	.	3
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	3	0	.	.	.	3
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	15	15
Week 2: Apr 19-25	13	13
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	12	12

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New York						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	1,677	1,055	751	450	6	3,939
Week 2: Apr 19-25	2,022	1,055	482	599	6	4,164
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	2,290	1,055	774	803	6	4,928
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	838	819	673	42	20	2,392
Week 2: Apr 19-25	838	1,255	847	-56	20	2,904
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	838	1,739	967	108	20	3,672
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	2,114	1,396	724	717	50	5,001
Week 2: Apr 19-25	2,114	2,175	619	-314	50	4,644
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	2,114	2,851	581	282	50	5,878
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	207	174	108	55	10	554
Week 2: Apr 19-25	320	276	62	85	10	753
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	397	412	107	95	10	1,021
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	11	5	.	.	.	16
Week 2: Apr 19-25	18	5	.	.	.	23
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	18	5	.	.	.	23

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Norfolk						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	262	161	71	26	4	524
Week 2: Apr 19-25	296	165	71	-6	4	530
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	344	222	71	-57	4	584
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	447	128	20	-32	-92	471
Week 2: Apr 19-25	472	128	20	-311	-124	185
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	536	128	20	-317	-58	309
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	1,132	701	190	50	-150	1,923
Week 2: Apr 19-25	1,132	819	19	50	-129	1,891
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	1,132	989	137	50	-192	2,116
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	134	91	35	10	-14	256
Week 2: Apr 19-25	85	109	25	10	1	230
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	60	125	75	10	0	270
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	5	2	.	.	.	7
Week 2: Apr 19-25	5	2	.	.	.	7
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	5	2	.	.	.	7

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Oakland						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	227	97	28	-36	-191	125
Week 2: Apr 19-25	89	95	28	-50	-420	-258
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	45	163	28	-39	-260	-63
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	46	36	31	24	4	141
Week 2: Apr 19-25	53	55	148	-7	4	253
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	15	34	173	-30	4	196
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	60	24	21	-19	-195	-109
Week 2: Apr 19-25	-3	24	250	68	-384	-45
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	-181	24	86	69	-288	-290
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	220	189	76	30	-45	470
Week 2: Apr 19-25	340	159	-18	30	-68	443
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	300	171	-74	30	9	436
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	20	11	.	.	.	31
Week 2: Apr 19-25	20	13	.	.	.	33
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	20	16	.	.	.	36

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Note : Reefer container availability data for Mitsui OSK Line available through San Francisco instead of Oakland.



Savannah						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	400	370	343	207	20	1,340
Week 2: Apr 19-25	400	516	353	153	20	1,442
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	400	626	500	88	20	1,634
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	716	346	100	95	-118	1,139
Week 2: Apr 19-25	716	339	100	245	-192	1,208
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	716	559	100	399	-327	1,447
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	2,586	1,023	331	321	80	4,341
Week 2: Apr 19-25	2,586	988	6	565	80	4,225
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	2,586	1,510	286	853	80	5,315
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	125	60	26	10	10	231
Week 2: Apr 19-25	132	60	1	10	6	209
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	157	60	14	10	16	257
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	19	1	.	.	.	20
Week 2: Apr 19-25	19	1	.	.	.	20
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	21	1	.	.	.	22

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Seattle						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	317	246	186	4	.	753
Week 2: Apr 19-25	335	10	186	-27	.	504
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	406	11	186	-10	.	593
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	185	128	83	37	.	433
Week 2: Apr 19-25	197	128	66	7	.	398
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	215	128	80	28	.	451
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	404	183	78	-220	.	445
Week 2: Apr 19-25	404	41	-219	-397	.	-171
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	404	50	-194	-374	.	-114
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	339	128	45	18	.	530
Week 2: Apr 19-25	345	128	45	-40	.	478
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	482	128	45	-37	.	618
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	6	3	.	.	.	9
Week 2: Apr 19-25	6	7	.	.	.	13
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	6	10	.	.	.	16

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Tacoma						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	106	63	0	-366	.	-197
Week 2: Apr 19-25	114	63	35	-408	.	-196
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	130	63	3	-495	.	-299
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	152	57	48	-453	.	-196
Week 2: Apr 19-25	157	11	48	-327	.	-111
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	198	14	48	-288	.	-28
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	293	266	0	-1,049	.	-490
Week 2: Apr 19-25	32	266	45	-1,043	.	-700
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	-172	266	75	-979	.	-810
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	143	55	4	-325	.	-123
Week 2: Apr 19-25	176	50	4	-275	.	-45
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	201	58	4	1	.	264
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Apr 12-18	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Apr 19-25	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Apr 26-May 2	0	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Understanding this Report

The weekly Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OCSAR) provides a snapshot of container availability for westbound transpacific trade lanes at select intermodal locations around the country. The data presented in this report are gathered from 5 ocean carriers including COSCO Shipping, Evergreen, Yang Ming Transport Corporation, OOCL, and Mitsui OSK Line.

- The data are estimates of container availability per week by the participating carriers. The carriers determine container availability by comparing current supplies at each of the 18 intermodal locations with the demand for these containers based on up-to-date bookings or reservation information in the westbound transpacific trade lane.
- Each week, participating carriers report the estimated number of containers available for the current week (W1) as well as estimates for the subsequent 2 weeks (W2 and W3).
- Maps on pages 2–4 offer a national overview of weekly container availability. The weekly national data are derived from the sum of the individual carrier responses at each intermodal location.
- Individual carrier responses are presented by location on pages 6–23 and have been sorted from largest to smallest. To maintain carrier confidentiality, specific carrier identification is not provided.
- Carrier responses showing negative numbers, such as -29, should be interpreted as meaning that 29 containers are needed by shippers but the carrier is not able to supply them. A positive number, such as 64, would mean 64 containers are available that are not demanded. An indication of 0 means the carriers have the exact amount of containers needed based on current supply and demand estimates.
- Availability levels are subject to change, and may be affected by delays in return of equipment to carriers by shippers or consignees, and by free time restrictions imposed by railroads. Due to the dynamic nature of the container industry, carriers cannot be held responsible for the level of availability at the time of inquiry.
- Data presented in the report do not imply availability of chassis.
- Container availability estimates represent availability for all export cargo, not just agricultural products.
- USDA collects these data on a voluntary basis and cannot be held responsible for the status of container availability when a reader makes inquiry with an ocean carrier. USDA relies on the participating ocean carriers to ensure the data is accurate.
- Terminology:
 - 20ft Dry Container (20ft): A standard shipping container that is 20 feet long.
 - 40ft Dry Container (40ft): A standard shipping container that is 40 feet long.
 - 40ft High-Cube (HC): A shipping container which is 40 feet long and 9 feet, 6 inches tall (1 foot taller than a standard 40ft dry container).
 - 40ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 40 feet long.
 - 20ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 20 feet long.
 - Chassis: A wheeled frame to which a shipping container can be locked for storage or movement. (Plural chassis)



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